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# 19th TSC: Be prepared for the unexpected

Greetings Team 19!

First of all, I'd like to wish our Korean counterparts a happy Lunar New Year! As we start this New Year, I'd like to take the time to discuss our current state of readiness.



**Maj. Gen. Jeanette K. Edmunds**

Even if you don't watch the news every night, you are surely aware that the United States is still at war against terrorism. Almost daily, Soldiers are injured or killed in Iraq and Afghanistan. These Soldiers are no different than you or I—they are doing what they are trained to do, to the best of their abilities, despite difficult conditions.

Living in Korea, it is sometimes easy to put the war on terrorism on the back burner. The Middle East seems very far removed from here—something we just watch on CNN. You may also feel a sense of relief that you are stationed somewhere far from that threat.

A recent article in the "Stars and Stripes" revealed the days of Korea being a hated assignment may be over. Many Soldiers are requesting an assignment here or volunteering for extensions on their current assignments. According to representatives from Human Resources Command more than 20,000 soldiers volunteered for Korea in the past year. The reasons to extend or volunteer are many. Certainly the quality of life improvements help, as do the incentives such as COLA and it is a pretty sure bet that if you are in Korea you know where you are going to be for a year or more in that we aren't deploying soldiers to the Middle East from here—we are already deployed.

It is great that so many Soldiers are requesting an assignment to Korea or wanting to extend here. But let us never forget that when the United States is at war, every Soldier in the U.S. Army is at war, regardless of where they are serving. We all have a role to play in our military's success.

And, we may not be as far removed from the war on terrorism as we sometimes think. We are not at peace here in Korea—only at a condition of Armistice. Rest assured that the expression, "fight tonight" is not just a slogan. North Korea is an unpredictable state, and Soldiers serving here must always be ready.

But our readiness must extend beyond our mission to deter North Korean aggression. Readiness also means that every Soldier must be prepared for the unexpected and every leader must devote him or herself to insuring that those in their charge are trained and ready to perform their mission where ever and when ever called.

This global war on terrorism is not likely to end anytime soon; every soldier in the Army stands a good chance of going in harms way at some point. Indeed what is the purpose of being a Soldier in our Army if it isn't to go into harms way and defend freedom. You owe to yourself, your family, your Nation and the Soldiers you serve with to be as ready as you can possibly be—both personally and professionally.

America is at war, and there are no "safe" assignments. As Soldiers, we need to be prepared both on the military side and the home front for whatever our country asks of us. I am proud to serve with some of the best Soldiers in the Army, and I know that whatever we are called upon to do, Team 19 will lead the way!

I also know that if the most challenging call our soldiers answer is on their next tour rather than here—that we will have done our part to ensure that they are trained and ready.

## *Soldiers, NCOs play key role in unit readiness*

As we get back to a normal routine following the holiday season and mid-tour leaves, it is time to take a long, hard look at our state of readiness.



**Command Sgt. Maj. Larry C. Taylor**

As Maj. Gen. Edmunds stated, when the United States is at war, every Soldier serving in the U. S. Army is at war.

During these uncertain times, noncommissioned officers, must continue to ensure that their Soldiers, and themselves, are ready to "Fight tonight."

An important tool to accomplishing this mission, no matter what job you hold in the

military, is a leader's book. Every NCO in a leadership position should have one. If maintained correctly, you will have formation at your fingertips as to whether your Soldiers are current in areas such as Army Physical Fitness Tests, weapons qualifications, drivers qualifications, Common Task Training and military education. This book should, also contain your Soldiers' emergency data. Field Manual 7.0 would call this pre execution checks.

The time to find out there is a readiness deficiency is not during a crisis. It may feel like we are far removed from any threat while stationed in Korea, but that is an illusion. At time, you and your Soldiers could face conflict here in Korea, be sent to the Middle East or become a victim of terrorism. Therefore, we owe it to our Soldiers and the U.S. Army to not become complacent.

Soldiers of all ranks, regardless of whether they are leaders or not, also face a responsibility to maintain their own personal

readiness.

Every Soldier should maintain his physical fitness levels, immunizations, uniforms and finances, just to name a few areas.

For example, you know you are required to have a dental screening every year. Why wait until you are past due and make your company, chase you down?

If you are command sponsored, have you filled out at NEO packet? Does your family understand what will happen if called upon to execute this task.

Each Soldier plays an essential role in the success and failure of his or her unit and the U. S. Army. We train as a team, so in times of crisis, a Soldier who remains behind puts his team members at risk.

I charge you, Soldiers and leaders, to make readiness a top priority. You owe it to yourselves, your families. Soldiers and NCOs remember you will continue to remain our greatest weapon and will continue to be the backbone of Team 19<sup>th</sup>.





Bae Jin-suk, forklift operator, stacks newly-arrived items in an outdoor storage area at Supply Point 60 at Camp Carroll.

# ***Supply Point 60 goes for fifth consecutive title***

**Story and photo by Cpl. Hong Yung-ki  
Area IV Public Affairs Office**

Supply Operations Supply Point 60 is in the running for its fifth consecutive title as one of the best supply facilities in the U.S. Army, having won Army Chief of Staff Supply Excellence Award (Category C level II Medium size Table of Distribution and Allowances unit) every year since fiscal 2000. The unit is part of the 20th Area Support Group.

The annual Army Chief of Staff Supply Excellence Award Program is designed to enhance unit readiness and the Command Supply Discipline Program, provide recognition for units and soldiers, perpetuate competition and increase public awareness of U.S. Army supply excellence.

The program is open to all active Army components, U.S. Army Reserve and Army National Guard Table of Organization and Equipment and comparable Table of Distribution and Allowances units.

Units are recognized in 15 categories broken down by TOE, TDA and unit size.

“The whole key is customer service, how we take care of customers,” said Hugh Benner, Supply Point 60 supply accountable officer. “To be able to take care of your customers, you’ve got to pay attention to every little detail of the operation starting from appearance, safety, training, supply management, inventory, storage and so on.”

In order to receive the Supply Excellence Award, units must be inspected, and win, competitions at four levels: 20th



Support Group, 19th Theater Support Command, 8th Army and finally Department of Army. Once units advance to the DA-level competition, inspections are carried out through on-site evaluations conducted by highly-qualified teams assembled by the U.S. Army Quartermaster Center and School, Fort Lee, Va. Emphasis is placed on stringent evaluation according to the school's Logistics Training Department. Evaluation areas include general supply management, performance standards, stock control and more.

Benner said inspections have become a part of everyday life at Supply Point 60. They conduct four inspections every year specifically related to the Supply Excellence Award program.

"It's not so much that we prepare for the competition because basically we are being graded on our everyday performance," he said.

"By making sure that we do everything right on a daily basis is what gets us into the competition. Making sure that every section is running according to all the Army regulations and policies and by a system of going around and checking each other, we are able make improvements every time we see any deficiencies."

General supply specialist and Korean supervisor Cho Hui-chun explained what it means to win the award.

"It was incredibly tough to win the award four consecutive times. I see that (as) pretty much impossible," he said. "We had to work extremely hard and concentrate on the details. I must say that it was the teamwork that allowed us to achieve all that. The employees are more motivated through the award and it strengthened our teamwork."

The 32 personnel at Supply Point 60 are well-rounded technicians who are cross-trained to work at any of the facility's stations.

"I take care of all the process that goes on in here starting from receiving, storing and issuing as a whole," said Hwang Jin-dong, supply technician. "We have very good communication and relation among our fellow employees for most of us have been working together for more than 20 years."

For the current fiscal 2004 competition, Supply Point 60 has already won at the 8th Army level and is waiting to compete at the DA level.

Jang Dae-ik, transportation control movement clerk, expressed confidence and pride in Supply Point 60.

"I can assure you that we have the cleanest supply facility in Korea," he said. "We are always number one every time we get inspected. We are the best in the world for supply." Supply Point 60 is comprised of 32 personnel including U.S. Army soldiers, Department of the Army civilians, Korean Service Corp personnel and Korean employees. Considered the forward distribution point for Area IV, Supply Point 60 provides multiclass goods ranging from general supplies such as paper and clothing to petroleum, wood, vehicle and repair parts ... almost everything except medical supplies and ammunition.

Supply Point 60 supplies more than 200 units in Area IV.



**Hwang Jin-dong (left), supply specialist, inventories incoming items with a portable data collection device at Supply Point 60.**



**Kim Byung-kyu, Issue Section supply technician, places newly arrived items into the customer bin at Supply Point 60 at Camp Carroll.**



# Program gives Korea newcomers a 'head start'



Senior leaders from throughout Area IV receive intensive Korean language and culture training at Keimyung University in Daegu.

**By Galen Putnam**  
Area IV Public Affairs Office

The 19th Theater Support Command has initiated an innovative program to give Soldiers, civilian employees and family members a "head start" when it comes to learning the Korean language and about Korean customs and culture.

The Headstart Program allows individuals to learn on their own via compact disc before departing their stateside duty stations.

Additional group instruction is provided once people are "on the ground" as part of their newcomers orientation briefings. An additional 10-day language and cultural immersion course is provided to select leaders in key positions.

Phase I is being tested in Area IV and will be exported to other areas as well. It provides new personnel with a basic knowledge of Korean culture and language and enables them to operate more comfortably in the community and helps them to present U.S. forces in a more positive manner to the host nation, according to 19th Theater Support Command officials.

Phase I, conducted in conjunction with monthly Army Community Services newcomers orientation briefings, is a 165-hour course emphasizing survival phrases, "dos and don'ts" as well as Korean history and culture.

"Many people come here and they have never been exposed to Asian culture. This

offers them a chance to obtain some exposure up front." Said J.J. Stewart, Area IV acting director of community activities. "People get a condensed view of what's to come in the next year or two. It gives them confidence in a strange, new environment."

Phase II consists of a Special Operations Language Training interactive CD that is mailed to incoming personnel with their sponsorship packets. The CD allows individuals to begin learning the language, and learn a little about Korea's history and culture before their departure from the states.

"The CDs are very well done and are very effective," said Maj. Michael B. Kelley, civil-military operations officer, 19th Theater Support Command. The CDs, in conjunction with the group instruction, allow Soldiers to quickly become familiar with the operating environment. The training truly gives Soldiers a head start when it comes to being prepared for their new duty assignment."

Phase III consists of a 10-day language and cultural immersion course for leaders in key positions. The first iteration of Phase III was Dec. 1-10, 2003, at Keimyung University in Daegu. Twelve key leaders, including Maj. Gen Jeanette Edmunds, commander of the 19th TSC, participated. Participants receive intense instruction on the Korean language to give them a fundamental understanding of Hangul upon which they can expand. Participants also receive instruction on Korean customs, culture

and protocol — critical focus points for leaders in highly visible positions.

"I wish I had been able to take the course when I first arrived here," said Col. James M. Joyner, commander of the 20th Support Group and Area IV Support Activity. "I'm amazed when I look at signs, and I can sound them out. The class provides a good foundation and opens up your confidence level. I definitely would recommend the class to any new leaders on the peninsula."

"The class has allowed me to better integrate into the community and it allows me to communicate more effectively with our Korean workforce," said Col. Charles J. Toomey Jr., commander of the Material Support Center-Korea at Camp Carroll. "This is a wonderful program. It ought to be mandatory."

Kelley pointed out that the program as a whole is a work in progress and is being implemented to varying degrees throughout the peninsula.

"The main consideration is funding. For example, some units are paying to have CDs copied on their own," he said.

"We are hoping the program can be standardized and funded centrally in order to benefit newcomers throughout the peninsula. We think we have an effective, innovative program, and we would like to see everybody benefit from it."

For information regarding the Headstart Program, call Kelley at 768-8596.



# G Co., 52nd Avn. Regt., wins NBC honors



Col. Michael J. McKinley, Deputy Commanding Officer, 19th TSC, presents the 19th TSC Nuclear, Biological and Chemical plaque of Excellence for the 4th quarter to Maj. Stannus P. Orr, company commander, G Co., 52nd Avn. Regt., 19th Maint. Bn., 23rd ASG.

## 19th TSC Press Release

The 19th Theater Support Command presented the 19th TSC Nuclear, Biological and Chemical plaque of Excellence for the 4th quarter to G Company, 52nd Aviation Regiment, 19th Maintenance Battalion, 23rd Area Support Group, Jan. 16.

The 19th TSC NBC Award recognizes the best NBC program on a quarterly basis and the best overall program on a yearly basis within the command.

A unit nominated by a major subordinate command can compete once during a six month period and gets evaluated in three different categories: NBC room checklist, written evaluation and hands-on task evaluation.

G Co. received a guidon streamer and had their names displayed on the plaque as a 4th quarter winner.

(Photo by Cpl. Han, Won-jong)

## NCOs: Live value of duty, rest will follow

Story by Sgt. First Class Charles R. Ryan  
19th TSC Safety Office

If the seven Army Values ever got together and held a formation, the value *Duty* would take charge and command the other values to “fall in”!

During my mentoring of the Noncommissioned Officer Enlisted Report on DA Form 2166-8, I’m frequently asked “Which Army Value is the most important?” I answer this question by “role-playing” the seven Army Values, like in the scenario above. The Global War on Terrorism is proving that each Army Value is crucial to the success of every Noncommissioned Officer. As Noncommissioned Officers, we should be exemplifying these values: *Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity, Personal Courage*. Yet by living and breathing the Army Value *Duty*, the other six values will simply “Fall In!”... fall into place that is.

Is it not the Noncommissioned Officer’s *Duty* to exhibit *Loyalty* for the officers appointed above us, our peers besides us and the subordinates we care for? What good could possibly result from speaking unprofessionally about any of those soldiers?

A Noncommissioned Officer’s *Duty*, often begins where others end. Weekends spent preparing a soldier for their promotion board, or evenings utilized improving a subordinate’s physical fitness are demonstrations of *Selfless Service*. Make *Duty* your watchword and these instances of *Selfless Service* come naturally to us all.

Field Manual 22-100 Army Leadership, Chapter 2-28 describes *Honor*, by mentioning the Oath of Enlistment. When is the last time you pulled out your Enlistment contract and read that oath? Make *Duty* your priority and you cannot help but to *Honor* this contract.

Any Noncommissioned Officer who issues an unlawful order, or puts their needs before the needs of a subordinate, is not enforcing the Army Value of *Integrity*. It is our *Duty* to lead with *Integrity*. Years ago I was (wisely) advised that *Integrity* is how you act when others are not watching.

Visit a VA Hospital sometime; sit and talk with some of the disabled Veterans who sacrificed in performance of their *Duty*. Visualize their faces during your next forced road march, and see if your Modular Lightweight Load-Carrying Equipment (MOLLE) or rucksack doesn’t feel just a little lighter. And that is just the physical side of *Personal Courage*. It is also the NCOs *Duty* to exhibit mental *Personal Courage*, by making the tough decisions sometimes. The same tough decisions that those Veterans have made in the past.

And what is an additional benefit to answering *Duty’s* command of “Fall In!”? You will successfully exhibit *loyalty*, perform *Selfless Service*, *honor* your Oath of Enlistment, lead with *Integrity*, demonstrate *Personal Courage*, and *respect* all service members. This will be a success you have earned.

*Duty* calls to 19th Theater Support Command Noncommissioned Officers day in and day out. Let’s all “Fall In!”



# English Camp captiva

Story and photo by Cpl. Hong Yung-ki  
Area IV Public Affairs Office

A week filled with games and activities at a U.S. Army base was an unusual but a valuable experience for Korean high school students who were eager to improve their English language skills and learn about American culture.

An English Camp for high school students in Daegu was hosted Jan. 12-16 by the 20th Area Support Group, the first of its kind comprehensive camp at any U.S. Army installations on the peninsula. One 11th-grade student from each of metropolitan Daegu's 82 high schools was invited to attend the camp and 68 schools sent representatives.

"The reason for having this camp was to share the cultural differences so that students can understand American culture and we can understand Korean culture," said Lt. Col. Wilfred J. Plumley Jr., English Camp director from the 20th Area Support Group. "We can improve relationships between Koreans and Americans and understand each other (through the camp)."

The five-day camp was conducted by U.S. Army and Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldier instructors. Activities at the camp included group seminars, free talking classes, skits, a movie, installation tour and numerous small group activities conducted in English to facilitate improvement of students' English proficiency. The installation tour included static displays of a UH-60 Blackhawk, and military vehicles at the 20th ASG motorpool. Students expressed enthusiasm about the different activities.

"The most interesting thing for me was on the third day when they showed us the military vehicles," said Kim Jae-hyuk, a student from Yeung-nam High School. "I met this Soldier who looked just like Harrison Ford. I cannot forget our conversation because he was so friendly to me even though we had never met before. He told me about things starting from his hometown to how he puts on his earplugs when he aviates. He even showed me his girlfriend's picture."

"I learned new things during the installation tour," said Oh Kyung-a, a student from Kyung-myeong Girls High School. "I knew nothing about any U.S. Army bases in Daegu and I was bewildered when I came here and saw the post exchange and the commissary filled with American products."

While students commuted to post from their houses everyday, meals were provided to the students in various eateries on the installations, including the dining facilities.

"I wasn't familiar with the American breakfast culture," Oh said. "It was something new to me and although it was a little greasy, I was able to get an idea of the American appetite."



**Spc. Crystal Ubbens (upper right) and Pvt. Michael Fox (second from left), 20th Support Group English Camp instructors, assist Kim Ki-yoon, a student from Shim-in High School (center), and his classmates on English composition in a small group study session during English Camp at Camp Henry in Daegu.**

English conversation classes and activities were conducted in five different groups throughout the camp. Sometimes these groups were split into smaller groups of four to five students to give them more opportunities to practice speaking English with native English speakers.

"We worked on this book here which tells the different things that Americans do strangely (for eyes of Koreans)," said Master Sgt. Robert M.



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Eldred, a 20th Support Group English instructor. "For example, the book says that Korean men do not usually open doors for women. It's just the way Koreans are brought up. We always open doors for women and stuff like that but it's just one of the differences. It's not bad but it's different. We have to teach the American Soldiers the differences also."

Students enjoyed their time and drew out their own meanings out of the English classes.

"On the first day we talked about cultural differences and second day, we compared educational differences between Korea and America," said Nam Da-young from Kyung-hwa Girls high School. "It was nice to be able to have conversations with native English speakers. I must say that at least I dissipated the fear that I had when talking to foreigners."

"It is no exaggeration to say that the amount of English conversation we had during this one week is more than the amount of English we had spoken altogether in our English classes in middle school and high school," Kim said. "We pretty much don't have any free talking sessions during English classes in school."

This also was a chance for American Soldiers to understand Koreans.

"This was an opportunity for me to destroy some of the failures concerning communication to the Korean nationals," said Spc. Jason Kolka, an English Camp instructor. "I feel that if we were to communicate better in English as well as in Hangul, that it would make us more better friends that live together with."

Many students agreed that their impression on U.S. Soldiers changed through the English Camp. Most students admitted that they had negative images of U.S. Soldiers before they met them at the camp.

"Mostly we see U.S. Soldiers through television and many times it is about the troubles they made like fights or car accidents," said Lee So-young, from Dae-gok High School. "I thought they would be coldhearted but now that I have actually met



**The students had the opportunity to visit with UH-60 Black Hawk flight crewmembers and examine the aircraft up close during a visit to the Camp Walker H-805 heliport.**

them, they make jokes and all of them are very friendly."

"Before, I was afraid of American Soldiers because they are very bulky and tall," said Kang Ji-eun from Daegu Girls High School. "After spending time and talking with them, I think they are nice and pleasant. Some of them are very handsome also."

The camp concluded with group presentations from the students explaining what they have learned. Certificates of appreciation also were given to each of the students.

"It's been a week filled with activities and I believe we've all benefited tremendously from this opportunity to interact and learn from each other," Plumley said in his closing remarks. "Most important, we had hoped that through this experience, you would realize that while we are from different countries we are not so different after all. In fact, we have learned a lot about each other and now possibly even recognize that there are more similarities than differences between us."

The 20th ASG plans to hold this event every year. Plumley said that the next camp probably will be held in January of 2005 and that it will again be open to all 82 high



**Spc. Daniel Rivera, a 20th Area Support Group English Camp instructor, talks about his experience in Korea to high school students from Daegu in a English group study session.**

schools in Daegu city. He also conveyed the possibility of the camp being held in

Waegwan and Busan in the future.

People to People International Daegu Chapter provided financial support for the English Camp. The purpose of People to People International is to enhance international understanding and friendship through educational, cultural and humanitarian activities involving the exchange of ideas and experiences directly among peoples of different countries and diverse cultures.

# 19th TSC, 728th MP gives cras

Story and photos by  
Cpl. Han, Won-jong

Just one hour from Camp Henry, Daegu, lies the Korea Third Military Academy. KTMA was established in 1968 in Yungchun, Gyeongsang province, to cultivate elite officers for the Republic of Korea Army. Soldiers from the 19th Theater Support Command and 728th Military Police Battalion visited KTMA to demonstrate U.S. weapons and to teach U.S. military subjects to KTMA cadets.

Some of the 19th TSC noncommissioned officers, who were former drill sergeants, conducted drill and ceremony training, and seven Soldiers from the Special Reaction Team, 728th MP Bn., gave demonstrations on M4 rifle with grenade launcher, M9 Beretta pistol, M24 shotgun sniper rifle, M249 machine gun and MK19 40mm grenade machine gun.

Two Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army soldiers also went along to help with translation.

Maj. Russell Miller, deputy of the Civil Military Operations for 19th TSC, said a request came through the KTMA English Department for Soldiers to teach American military subjects in English. Maj. Peter Jackson, Operations, 19th TSC, and Miller volunteered to coordinate the classes on weapons and drill and ceremony.

“The whole purpose of this program is to expose the cadets to the English language as spoken by American Soldiers while teaching them common tasks, but that’s just a vehicle to use English in front of them,” said Miller.

“We’ve broken cadets into small groups, which is always best for instructions in both the D&C portion



**Spc. Andre LaCrone, Special Reaction Team, 728th MP Bn., teaches Sung-sik Moon, a Korea Third Military Academy senior cadet, how to operate an MK19, 40mm grenade machine gun.**

and weapons portion. We are trying to expose them to English that we use on a daily basis. The secondary purpose is to strengthen the alliance and to have better relationships with our Korean allies,” said Miller.

Asking many questions, cadets were eager to learn about U.S. weapons and to interact with American Soldiers. “It’s nice to see that everyone is interested and trying to learn different things about weapons and how American Soldiers deal with their lives in the military,” said Spc. Andre LaCrone, 728th MP Bn.

KTMA cadets will be trained for two years and take crucial roles in the ROK Army. Cpt. Bong-gyun Park, officer from KTMA, said that there are

few chances for cadets to interact with the U.S. Army for a better understanding of each other, and KTMA professors felt the need for exchange between the ROK Army and the U.S. Army through these classes. “This is a great opportunity for cadets to interact with the world’s strongest Soldiers and to experience their advanced technology. Most of all, I hope cadets learn the professionalism of U.S. Soldiers by watching them come out here with systematic plans and trying to get most out of their efforts,” said Park.

Cadets spontaneously continued discussions on what they had seen and learned after classes. “Using English, we had firsthand experience to



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use U.S. weapons and to practice American drill and ceremony with American drill sergeants. It was not boring, but interesting. Also, it was good to meet U.S. Soldiers, our allies, working around the area,” said Sung-sik Moon, a senior cadet.

Staff Sgt. Mathew Smith, 728th MP Bn., said it was not only good for U.S. Soldiers, but also good for the counterparts to do joint training. “In time of war, we must work together,” said Smith.

This was the first time that a large group of U.S. Soldiers came to the academy and gave instructions. “This is a successful first step, and I hope to improve this program so that U.S. Soldiers can come here and teach cadets on regular basis. We are trying to establish a firm relationship between 19th TSC and KTMA,” said Park.

Miller said 19th TSC is planning on formally inviting KTMA staff and cadets to come over and be guests at one of the commanding staff briefings with the entire 19th TSC staff.

“The staff of the academy has been very helpful. And they are very appreciative of what we have done. I feel like a very welcomed guest at the academy. This is an excellent program that we should maintain,” said Miller.



**Spc. Brigitt Robinson, Special Reaction Team, 728th MP Bn., demonstrates how to operate an M4 rifle to Korea Third Military cadets.**



**(Above) Sgt. Joshua Fletcher, Special Reaction Team, 728th MP Bn., guides Park, Hyun-chul, a Korea Third Military Academy senior cadet, to look through the M4 rifle scope.**



**(Left) Spc. Brian Christopher, Special Reaction Team, 728th MP Bn., explains about the M249 machine gun to Korea Third Military cadets.**



# Students learn flag etiquette, history

Story, photo by  
Galen Putnam  
Area IV PAO

Most Americans love and respect Old Glory, the symbol of our nation, but unfortunately, many do not know how to render proper respects to the flag.

In the effort to help remedy that situation, one committed parent visited the fourth-grade students of Taegu American School to teach them about flag etiquette and the history of the U. S. flag.

Lt. Col. Wilfred J. Plumley, outgoing 20<sup>th</sup> Area Support Group deputy commander, gave presentations to the classes on December to pass on his respect and enthusiasm for proper flag etiquette.

"I've always had a reverence for the flag," said Plumley, the father of fourth-grader Bridget Plumley. "Those feelings increased at my last assignment with the 2nd JROTC Region (where he served as director).

Citizenship was part of the curriculum and flag etiquette was an important part of that."

Plumley said he was surprised when he realized how few people know how to properly render honors to the flag.

"About 75 percent of the population have no idea how to properly respect the flag," he said. "They want to and are happy to but just don't know the right way to go about it. Most people, when you correct them, are very happy because they want to do the right thing. In fact, only one person has ever gotten upset with me when I corrected them."

Plumley taught the students about the history and meaning of the flag including what the colors and stars and stripes represent. He also taught them when and how to render honors to the flag and how to handle the flag.

"I liked learning what the colors mean and other things about the flag that I didn't know about," said Hazel Sison. "I learned that the first flag had 13 stars and 13 stripes and now there are 50 stars



**Lt. Col. Wilfred J. Plumley, deputy commander of the 20th ASG, teaches Daegu American School fourth-graders about the American flag.**

and 13 stripes."

"I learned about how you should always respect the flag," said Daniel LeJune. "I learned how we added stars to represent the states and how there are still 13 stripes to represent the original 13 colonies."

Students got a chance to participate as they took turns serving as flag bearers for the American and Korean national flags.

"The kids will forget some of the things we talked about," Plumley said. "The one thing they will never forget though is that the flag should never, ever touch the ground."

Plumley's host, fourth-grade teacher Rick Cade who encourages parents to share their interests and expertise with his students, was pleased with the presentations.

"The students were very enthusiastic and asked a lot of questions. It was very enlightening," he said. "In fourth-grade we study social studies so this ties right in with what we are doing. They really enjoyed learning some new things about the flag."



# A look into the Korean history

Story and photos by Pvt. Hwang, Kyu-won

A group of U.S. soldiers and Korean Augmentation Troops to the U.S. Army soldiers visited the National Museum of Korea in Seoul Dec. 29, 2003, in order to look closer into Korean history. The group was escorted by a tour guide provided by the Museum and was given a guided tour of the museum exhibits.

The National Museum of Korea in Seoul is a museum complex that meets the modern international standards, housing 135,000 art and archaeological objects. "Five thousand items are exhibited among the collection with audio guides, video rooms and touch screens to help visitors understand better about the exhibits," according to the museum's pamphlet.

"The museum was very interesting. I learned a lot of the Korean history and culture," said Pfc. Robert C. Waffle, HHC, 20<sup>th</sup> Area Support Group. "Especially the (Emperor's) seals were impressive. This is a great experience for foreigners to get to know about Korea and understand their culture. I would definitely visit here again."

Not only were the U.S. soldiers amazed by the exhibition, but so were the KATUSA soldiers. "It was a good opportunity for me to look back at Korean culture and history," said Pfc. Lee, Sang Yoon, HHC, 19<sup>th</sup> Theater Support Command. "The statue of a warrior of Gaya showed me how fine and delicate armors, swords and helmets they made at that time. Also you could see their drawing styles through the paintings from the Chosun dynasty."

"The National Museum of Korea was first opened in 1908 under the name of The Yi Royal Household Museum in Chang-gyeong-gung Palace. The Japanese Government-General Museum of Korea was established in



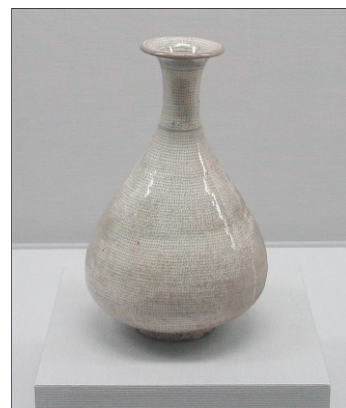
In Chosun dynasty, when guests visited your house, they got to stay in the sarangbang (scholar's studio), picture shown above.

Gyeongbok-gung Palace in 1915, inheriting the collections of the Yi Royal Household Museum. Following the defeat of Japan in World War II, the national museum of Korea in Seoul was officially inaugurated Dec. 3, 1945. The museum took refuge in Busan during the Korean War in November 1950 and after that it has been relocated many times in Seoul," according to the museum's official web site, [www.museum.go.kr](http://www.museum.go.kr).

"Following the decision Aug. 15, 1993, to demolish the former Capitol to make way for reconstruction of Gyeongbok-gung Palace, Yongsan Family Park was chosen as the site of the new museum, which will provide an improved and greater service as the central museum of Korea in the new millennium,"

according to the website.

Also according to the website, the National Museum of Korea in Seoul is accommodated in a building designed for a modern and well-equipped museum on the ground of Gyeongbok-gung Palace. When the museum moves to the New Museum in Yongsan Family Park, the building in the palace is most likely to house a museum.



(Above) A bunchong ware from Chosun dynasty. It's well known for its peculiar design and color.



(Left)— The emperors used seals, which are made of gold, wood or stone, for their signatures.



# Team 19 Hangul page

## Useful English Expressions

From the TEAM 19 Magazine

일상생활 영어 표현 및 이런 것이 사람들한테 알려졌으면 좋겠다는 내용을 가지고 있는 분은 저희 사무실 DSN 768-7353 으로 연락 주시기 바랍니다.

### Idiomatic American English

1. I'll pick up the tab. I'm loaded  
(=pay the bill)  
(=having  
today. I'll treat you.  
lots of money)

2. Do you shop around a lot for bargains?  
(=look in many stores)

3. I don't like to throw my money down

the drain.

(= waste money)

4. He tries to keep up with the Joneses.  
(= try to equal your  
neighbors' lifestyle)

5. He's on pins and needles.  
(= nervous)

6. He thinks it'll be a piece of cake.  
(= easy)

7. I'm racking my brains to find a way to  
(= try hard to think or remember)  
keep my head above water.  
(= be able to exist on my income)

8. That's just a drop in the bucket.  
(= a small amount)

9. Today I'm under the weather.  
(= not feeling well)

10. Well, hang in there. In the long run,  
(= be patient) (= in the  
end)  
you'll be sitting pretty.  
(= in a favorable situation)

### Jokes

1. Two women, who own dogs, are arguing which dog is smarter.  
-First woman: "My dog is so smart. Every morning he waits for a paper boy to come around and then he takes a newspaper and brings it to me."  
-Second woman: "I know"  
-First woman: "How?"  
-Second woman: "My dog told me."

## 고아들을 위한 크리스마스 파티

### 501통신중대 상병 이한진

고아들을 위한 2003년 36통신대대 크리스마스 파티가 2003년 12월 21일 일요일, 대구 캠프 위커에 위치한 유스센터에서 열렸다. 모든 참가자들은 이 파티에서 정말로 즐거운 시간을 가졌다. 초대받았던 고아들 중 많은 수가 의미있고 감동적인 순간들을 마음 속에 간직한 채로 돌아갔음은 물론이다. 이 파티에서 군인들은 훌륭한 자원봉사자들로써의 역할에 충실했고, 거기서 비롯된 사랑과 희망을 함께 느낄 수가 있었다. 또한 카투사들의 도움으로 자원봉사자들 곁에 어린이들 사이의 의사소통은 매끄럽게 이어졌고, 이는 그들이 축제의 기쁨 속에서 하나가 될 수 있게끔 해주었다. 솜바꼭질, 목마태우기, 팔씨름과 같은 다양한 놀이들이 준비된 따뜻한 축제분위기는 우리의 첫 만남이 주는 어색함을 쉽게 없애주었을 뿐만 아니라, 군인들과 고아들 사이의 우정을 확고히 하는

데에 이바지했다.

올해, 이 파티에 자원한 우리들은 여러 가지로 소중한 교훈을 얻었을지도 모른다. 그 교훈은 우리가 우리 자신보다 좋지 못한 상황에 처한 사람들에게 많은 관심을 기울여야 한다는 것이다. 매일 우리 주변에는 우리의 도움과 보살핌을 필요로 하는 사람들이 너무나도 많다. 어떤 사람들은 집이 없고, 어떤 사람들은 매일 매일을 굶주린 채로 살아간다. 그러나 가장 불행한 이들은 부모 없이 자라야 하는 많은 아이들이다. 그들에게 삶이라는 것은 차갑고 무정한 것일 수 있다. 그렇지만 이번 파티에 나온 고아들은 그 아픈 마음을 내면에 숨긴 채 우리를 보며 환하게 미소지었다. 그들 중 다수는 이미 자신들의 슬픔을 극복하고, 행복한 미래로 가는 길에 들어섰다고 보여졌다. 이는 그들이 희망을 가지고 있고, 미래의 밝은 빛을 볼 수 있기 때문이라고 생각한다. 그들이 삶에

대한 강한 의지를 가지고 있고, 자신들이 우리들과 함께 나눈 이 따뜻하고 아름다운 세계가 계속 이어질 것이라고 믿고 있기 때문에 가능한 것이기도 하다. 우리는 그들에게 용기를 주고, 언제나 그들의 뒤에서 힘이 되는 일을 멈추어서는 안 될 것이다.



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수족관에 방문한 사람들이 수족관에 있는 불가사리와 물고기들을 유심히 관찰하고 있다.

## 부산 수족관을 방문하고..

36통신대대 본부중대  
일병 서진태

항상 우리의 곁에 함께 할 것만 같은 해운대의 아름답고도 포근한 지평선, 끝없이 펼쳐지는 맑은 하늘, 자상한 어머니와 같은 해운대의 경관, 그곳에는 세련되면서도 예쁜 모양의 부산 수족관이 자리하고 있다. 물결 또는 흐느적거리는 해초를 연상시키기도 하는 부드러운 곡선의 지붕과 전체적으로 푸른색의 느낌을 주는 건물 분위기에 다고요하게 흐르는 세미클래식 음악은 들어가기 전부터 마음에 밝은 분위기를 심어 주었다. 2003년의 해가 너털너털 넘어가고 있던 12월 30일, 36통신대대 293중대원들, 그리고 그 가족들과 함께 찾아간 이 수족관은 국내에서 최고 수준의 규모를 자랑하는 곳이다. 2001년 호주의 어느 회사가 지은 이 건물은 평지에서 지하로 내려가면서 관람하는 구조로 되어있다. 그래서 이 수족관을 찾는 관객들은 관람을 하면서

점점 더 바다의 깊은 곳으로 내려가는 것과 같은 특이한 기분을 맛볼 수 있다.

바닷물처럼 푸른 네온빛이 밝히는 에스컬레이터를 타고 지하 1층으로 내려오면 더욱 어두워진 조명과 천장과 벽에 무성한 나무와 나뭇잎에서 열대우림의 분위기를 느낄 수 있다. 이곳에 전시된 열대우림 서식물고기 가운데 일부에게는 약간의 돈을 내고 직접 작은 물고기를 먹이로 줄 수 있는 기회가 주어져 관람객들에게 좋은 반응을 불러일으키고 얻었다. 수달, 불가사리, 앵무조개, 투구게 등 물에서 사는 여러 생물들을 구경하면서 같은 층을 쭉 따라 걸어가면 수족관의 메인 탱크를 지나 가게 되는데, 원하는 관람객에게는 5000원 요금으로 유리로 된 바닥을 가진 보트를 타고 상어 등 다양한 바다생물을 바로 위에서 관찰할 수 있는 기

회가 주어진다.

지하 2층으로 내려가면 다양한 갑각류, 치명적인 독으로 유명한 복어, 정말 바다의 용처럼 수중을 배회하는 해마, 한번에 TV 5개를 동시에 켤 수 있는 전기를 발생시키는 뱀장어, 심해의 여러 희한한 생물 등 너무나도 다양한 자연의 면모로 말미암아 정신을 빼앗기게 된다.

지하 2층의 끝에는 지하 1, 2층 양쪽에 걸쳐서 보이는 상당한 크기의 산호초 탱크가 있다. 다양한 종류의 열대어가 유유히 노니는 이 탱크에는 하루중 일정 시간에 다이버쇼가 벌어지는데, 이날은 특히 새해를 앞두고 다이버들이 한복 차림으로 잠수하여 관객들에게 신선한 즐거움을 선사하였다. 산호초 탱크를 지나면 수족관의 또다른 큰 볼거리인 270도 해저터널이 있다. 유리로 된 벽과 천정 바로 너머 머리 위로, 또는 자신의 바로 옆으로 상어의 이빨 하나하나까지 세세하게 다 볼 수 있을 정도로 가까운 거리에서 그들이 지나가는 모습을 보면, 흥분과 감탄을 금할 수가 없다.

지하에서 평지로 나오면 어린이들이 특히 좋아할 만한 상어전시관이 있고, 그 밖에 기념품가게, 각종 식당, 국내 최초의 '어항차' 등을 볼 수 있다.

함께 관람했던 많은 미군과 카투사들은 수족관 시설에 대해 만족감을 표시했다. SPC Davies는 "좋은 장소였다. 물고기도 많고, 분위기도 좋고... 나는 부산에서 이 곳보다 더 좋은 곳을 본 적이 없다."고 말하기도 했다.

사실 너무나도 광대한 바다를 좁은 수족관에 담는다는 것은 무리한 일이다. 하지만 먼 타향에서 새로운 한 해를 맞이할 준비를 하는 미군과 그 가족들, 그리고 나라를 위한 의무를 묵묵히 수행하고 있는 카투사들에게 이번 수족관 관람은 좋은 기분 전환이었다. 그리고 타향에서 보내는 연휴 동안 자칫 무거워질 수 있는 마음을 자연의 아름다움을 체험하며 가볍게 한 소중한 시간이었다.





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